DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Foreign Agricultural Service

Agricultural Policy Advisory Committee for Trade and the Agricultural Technical Advisory Committees for Trade; Reestablishment and Nominations

AGENCY: Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice and request for nominations.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, notice is hereby given that the Secretary of Agriculture (Secretary), in coordination with the United States Trade Representative (USTR), intends to reestablish the Agricultural Policy Advisory Committee (APAC) for Trade and the six Agricultural Technical Advisory Committees (ATAC) for Trade. The Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS) is requesting nominations for persons to serve on these seven committees for a term of 4 years.

DATES: Written nominations must be received by FAS by 5 p.m. on December 17, 2010.

ADDRESSES: Nominations must be hand-delivered (including FedEx, DHL, UPS, etc.) to the Office of Negotiations and Agreements, Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA, Room 5603–S, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Mail Stop 1048, Washington, DC 20250–1001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Inquiries or comments regarding the reestablishment of these committees may be sent by electronic mail to: Lorie.Fitzsimmons@fas.usda.gov and Steffon.Brown@fas.usda.gov, or by fax to (202) 720–0340. The Office of Negotiations and Agreements may be reached by telephone at (202) 720–6219, with inquiries directed to Lorie Fitzsimmons or Steffon Brown.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION:

Introduction

The APAC and the ATACs are authorized by sections 135(c)(1) and (2) of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended (Pub. L. 93–618, 19 U.S.C. 2155). The purpose of these committees is to advise the Secretary and USTR concerning agricultural trade policy. The committees are intended to ensure that representative elements of the private sector have an opportunity to express their views to the U.S. government.

Rechartering of Existing Committees

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App. II), FAS gives notice that the Secretary and USTR intend to reestablish the APAC and the following six ATACs:

• Animals and Animal Products;
• Fruits and Vegetables;
• Grains, Feed, Oilseeds and Planting Seeds;
• Processed Foods;
• Sweeteners and Sweetener Products; and,
• Tobacco, Cotton and Peanuts.

In 1974, Congress established a private sector advisory committee system to ensure that U.S. trade policy and negotiation objectives adequately reflect U.S. commercial and economic interests. The private sector advisory committee system currently consists of three tiers:

• The President’s Advisory Committee on Trade and Policy Negotiations;
• Five general policy advisory committees, including the APAC; and,
• Twenty-two technical advisory committees, including the ATACs.

The establishment and renewal of such committees is in the public interest in connection with the duties of the USDA imposed by the Trade Act of 1974, as amended.

Committee Membership Information

• All committee members are appointed by the Secretary and USTR, and serve at the discretion of the Secretary and the USTR.
• Committee size will be limited up to approximately 35 members each.
• All committee appointments will expire in 4 years, but the Secretary and USTR may renew an appointment for one or more additional terms.
• All committee members must be U.S. citizens and must represent a U.S. entity with an interest in agricultural trade and must not be registered with the Department of Justice under the Foreign Agents Registration Act.
• Committee members must not be federally-registered lobbyists.
• To attend certain meetings, committee members must have a current security clearance or have submitted an application for a security clearance.
• Committee members serve without compensation; they are not reimbursed for their travel expenses.
• No person may serve on more than one USDA advisory committee at the same time.

General Committee Information

• Each committee has a chairperson, who is elected from the membership of that committee.
• Committees meet as needed, and all committee meetings are held in Washington, DC. Committee meetings may be closed if USTR determines that a committee will be discussing issues that justify closing a meeting or portions of a meeting, in accordance with 19 U.S.C. 2155(f).
• Throughout the year, members are requested to review sensitive trade policy information via a secure Web site, and provide comments regarding trade negotiations.
• In addition to their other advisory responsibilities, at the conclusion of negotiations of any trade agreement, all committees are required to provide a report on each agreement to the President, Congress, and USTR.

Agricultural Policy Advisory Committee for Trade

The APAC is composed of a broad spectrum of agricultural interests. The APAC provides advice concerning the following:

• Negotiating objectives and bargaining positions before the United States enters into a trade agreement;
• The operation of various U.S. trade agreements; and
• Other matters arising from the administration of U.S. trade policy.

Agricultural Technical Advisory Committees for Trade

The ATACs provide advice and information regarding trade issues that affect both domestic and foreign production in the commodities of the respective sector, drawing upon the technical competence and experience of the members. There will be six ATACs, one for each of the following sectors:

• Animals and Animal Products;
• Fruits and Vegetables;
• Processed Foods;
• Sweeteners and Sweetener Products; and
• Tobacco, Cotton and Peanuts.

Nominations and Appointment of Members

Nominations for APAC and ATAC membership are open to individuals representing U.S. entities with an interest in agricultural trade without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, mental or physical handicap, marital status, or sexual orientation. To ensure that the recommendations of the committees take into account the needs of the diverse groups served by USDA, membership shall include, to the extent practicable, individuals with demonstrated ability to represent minorities, women, and persons with disabilities.

Members must represent a U.S. entity with an interest in agricultural trade and
should have expertise and knowledge of agricultural trade as it relates to policy and commodity specific products. No person, company, producer, farm organization, trade association, or other entity has a right to membership on a committee. In making appointments, every effort will be made to maintain balanced representation on the committees: Representation from producers, farm and commodity organizations, processors, traders, and consumers. Geographical balance on each committee will also be sought.

Nominations: Nominating a person to serve on any of the committees requires submission of a current résumé for the nominee and the following form: AD–755 (Advisory Committee Membership Background Information), available on the Internet at: http://www.fas.usda.gov/admin/ad755.pdf. In addition, FAS encourages the submission of the optional form AD–1086 (Applicant for Advisory Committees Supplemental Sheet), available on the Internet at: http://www.fas.usda.gov/admin/ad1086.pdf. Forms may also be requested by sending an e-mail to Steffen.Brown@fas.usda.gov, or by phone at (202) 720–6219.

Federally Registered Lobbyists: In order to be considered for advisory committee membership, nominees should submit an affirmative statement that the applicant is not a federally registered lobbyist, and that the applicant understands that if appointed, the applicant will not be allowed to continue to serve as an advisory committee member if the applicant becomes a federally registered lobbyist.

Foreign Firms: Persons who are employed by firms that are 50 percent plus one share foreign-owned must state the extent to which the organization or interest to be represented by the nominee is owned by non-U.S. citizens, organizations, or interests. If the nominee is to represent an entity or corporation with ten percent or greater non-U.S. ownership, the nominee must demonstrate at the time of nomination that this ownership interest does not constitute control and will not adversely affect his or her ability to serve as an advisor on the U.S. agriculture advisory committee for trade.

Dated: October 26, 2010.
John D. Brewer,
Administrator, Foreign Agricultural Service.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. chapter 35).


Title: Topographic and Bathymetric Data Inventory Survey.

OMB Control Number: None.

Form Number(s): NA.

Type of Request: Regular submission (new information collection).

Number of Respondents: 283.

Average Hours per Response: Preliminary telephone interview, 5 minutes; data form, 15 minutes.

Burden Hours: 59.

Needs and Uses: In compliance with Executive Order 12862, Setting Customer Service Standards, this survey will be used by the NOAA Coastal Services Center to obtain information from our customers on the location of topographic and bathymetric data that are publicly available. The information about the data will be used to construct a Topographic and Bathymetric Data Inventory, an index of the best-available elevation data sets by region. Twenty-one pieces of information about each dataset will be collected to give an accurate picture of data quality and give users of the Topographic and Bathymetric Data Inventory access to each dataset. The end goal of this collection is to provide a comprehensive, publicly available, topographic and bathymetric data web resource.

Affected Public: State, local and tribal government.

Frequency: Once.

Respondent’s Obligation: Voluntary.

OMB Desk Officer:
OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, (202) 482–0266, Department of Commerce, Room 6616, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at dhynek@doc.gov).

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Stainless Steel Plate in Coils from South Korea: Correction to Final Results of the Expedited Sunset Review of the Antidumping Duty Order

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

DATES: Effective Date: November 2, 2010.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Hector Rodriguez or Elizabeth Eastwood, AD/CVD Operations, Office 2, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482–0629 and (202) 482–3874, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Correction

On October 7, 2010, the Department of Commerce (the Department) published in the Federal Register the following notice: Certain Stainless Steel Sheet and Strip in Coils From Germany, Japan, the Republic of Korea, and Taiwan: Final Results of the Expedited Second Sunset Reviews of the Antidumping Duty Orders, 75 FR 62014 (Oct. 7, 2010) (Final Sunset Notice). After the publication of this notice in the Federal Register, we identified an inadvertent error in the Final Sunset Notice. The Department made an error in the “Final Results of Reviews” section of the notice by inadvertently including an incorrect weighted-average margin for the South Korean respondent Pohang Iron & Steel Co., Ltd. (POSCO), as well as the “all others” rate for South Korea. Specifically, the weighted-average margin for POSCO and the “all others” rate for South Korea, listed as 16.26 percent, should have been listed as 6.08 percent pursuant to implementation of the findings of the World Trade Organization Panel in United States—Anti-Dumping Measures on Stainless Steel Plate in Coils and Stainless Steel Sheet and Strip From Korea. See Notice of Amendment of Final Determinations of Sales at Less Than Fair Value: Stainless Steel Plate in Coils From the